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For: MULTI-STAGE OPTICAL)	
AMPLIFIER OPTIMIZED WITH)	
RESPECT TO NOISE, GAIN AND)	
BANDWIDTH)	

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Before examining this application, please amend the application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this amendment.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begin on page 3 of this amendment.

An abstract is provided on page 7 of this amendment and as a separate page enclosed herewith.

Remarks begin on page 8 of this amendment.